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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CUELLAR).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 16, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable HENRY CUELLAR to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 7, 2020, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with time equally allocated between the parties and each Member other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip limited to 5 minutes, but in no event shall debate continue beyond 9:50 a.m.

IN MEMORY OF DARYL ANN PENNINGTON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sadness that I share the news that a great friend and public servant has passed away.

Daryl Ann Pennington was a dear friend, trusted member of my staff, and a tireless advocate for Maryland's Fifth District.

For the past 12 years, Daryl served as a caseworker in my office in Greenbelt,

Maryland, serving Prince George's County, Calvert County, and Anne Arundel County. Earlier, she had worked for former Maryland State Senator Ulysses Currie.

Mr. Speaker, she knew the Fifth District and its communities better than almost anyone, and she cared deeply about the people who called, emailed, and wrote to us asking for assistance with Federal agencies and help accessing government services. In particular, Daryl was a fierce advocate for our district seniors, but she was also a mentor to countless young people, including interns who came to our district office and learned lessons from Daryl, not only about serving our constituents but how to approach life through perseverance, faith, and positive thinking.

Daryl drew heavily on her personal faith as a member of the Evangel Cathedral in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, for more than a quarter of a century, and as a partner with Dr. Corinthia Ridgely Boone of the International Christian Host Coalition organizing the National Capital Region's Day of Prayer for many, many years.

Mr. Speaker, she believed strongly that prayer was a powerful tool, not only to connect with her creator, but to connect with others here on Earth, to communicate her love for others, and to spread peace and joy to those around her, which she surely did. Her sense of humor, her wit, her warmth will be sorely missed not only by her colleagues in my office, but by all who knew her.

I and all of us who worked so closely with Daryl will miss her very, very much. Daryl had so many spiritual daughters and the many young women who looked up to her over the years as a mentor and friend, but her pride and joy were her five children: Laura, Christie, Toi, Peter, and Lenny, as well as her grandchildren to whom, of course, she was devoted.

A native of Rochester, New York, Daryl made her final journey home in

July when she was diagnosed with multiple myeloma and departed Maryland to seek treatment closer to family at the University of Rochester Medical Center. We had all hoped to welcome her back soon, but sadly, Daryl's condition worsened quickly last week, and she passed away on Saturday morning with her family by her side.

Mr. Speaker, Daryl was a true friend and partner in service to the people of Maryland's Fifth District. She will long be remembered by those she helped and by those of us who worked closely with her.

Her passing is a great loss to my constituents, our office, to this House, and to our country. I hope my colleagues will join me in offering her family the condolences of the whole House and the thanks of a Nation grateful for patriotic Americans like Daryl Ann Pennington who serve their country and communities so dutifully and so well.

Mr. Speaker, now Daryl rests in peace with God, whom she served so faithfully throughout her life.

MEMORIALIZING REVEREND BILLY GRAHAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) for 5 minutes.

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to announce that a familiar figure within North Carolina's history will soon be featured here in the United States Capitol.

On July 22, I came to the floor and spoke about how the first Republican majority in the North Carolina legislature in over 40 years voted in 2015 to replace the current statue of Charles Aycock in the Capitol with a statue of Billy Graham. A week later, on July 29, a committee within the North Carolina's General Assembly unanimously approved a model of Reverend Graham's statue and commissioned a sculptor to create a life-sized model.

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